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Applicant:	Yasuyuki Nozuyama
Application No.	10/678,975
Filed:	October 2, 2003
For:	Apparatus For Selecting Test Patterns For Logic Circuit, Computer Implemented Method For Selecting Test Patterns, And Computer Program Product For Controlling A Computer System So As To Select Test Patterns
Group Art Unit:	2138
Examiner:	John Trimmings
Attorney Docket No.:	2102487-991290

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Respectfully submitted,

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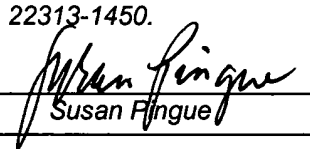
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

	Y. Nozuyama, et al., "A Method For Estimating And Enhancing Test Quality Using Layout Information – A Basic Method and A Few Examples (Bridge Fault Iddq Test, Weighted Stuck-at Fault Coverage)-", Technical Report of IEICE (Japan), Vol. CPM 2002-152, ICD2002-197, The Institute Of Electronics, Information And Communications Engineers), (01-2003).

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